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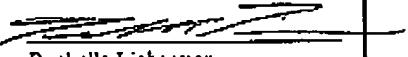
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In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 4, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding rejection(s) of the claims in view of the remarks that follow.